

MRS. ELIZA HICKS.

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MAY 7, 1884.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

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Mr. FYAN, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

R E P O R T :

[To accompany bill H. R. 5962.]

*The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred bill H. R. 5692, having had the same under consideration, report as follows:*

Rufus Hicks enlisted in Company F, Fourth Regiment Illinois Cavalry, and was furloughed to visit his parents in Sullivan County, Tennessee. On his return to his regiment, in the early part of September, 1865, he was murdered at Bowling Green, Ky.; the motives of the murderer not clearly appearing from the evidence.

The other facts, viz, enlistment of soldier and the dependence of the mother, Mrs. Eliza Hicks, upon him for support, are established beyond all question or controversy.

Mrs. Hicks is now seventy-two years of age, absolutely impecunious, and with no relatives or friends to assist her.

The soldier was killed while attempting to rejoin his regiment and discharge his duties in the field as a soldier, and he being the only son of this old lady, and her husband now in the poor-house, we are satisfied she should be placed on the pension list, and therefore recommend that the bill do pass.

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